

**Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting
March 3, 2014 at 7p.m
Municipal Building
90 N. West Street
Spencer, IN 47460**

Board Members present: Cynthia Hyde, and Dean Bruce, Jon Stantz absent.

Also present: Clerk-Treasurer Cheryl Moke, Attorney Richard Lorenz, Sewer Superintendent John Hodge, and Building Representative Bob Bandy

MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR February 17, 2014 REGULAR MEETING

Dean Bruce made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Cynthia Hyde and passed 2-0.

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Bob Bandy discussed the addition of parking spots on the east side of the Courthouse annex. The addition of four parking spots, was recommended by Larry Parrish, who was not present. Cynthia said she would discuss further with Larry Parrish to confirm his recommendation.

The Council also discussed the Building Dept. Report for 2013. Bob Bandy reported during the slower months, he has been able to catch up on the files and follow up on incomplete permit inspection paperwork.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC ISSUES

IN THE MATTER OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Cynthia Hyde stated that there Gwen Tucker was named the new Director of the Economic Development and Chamber of Commerce.

IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

There was no representation at tonight's meeting, but Cynthia said that Chief Foutch would like to add Stan Frank to the Reserves.

Dean Bruce made a motion to accept Chief Foutch's recommendation to add Stan Frank to the Reserves list. Motion was seconded and passed 2-0.

IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT

Larry Parrish was not present, but the Clerk-Treasurer requested approval for an Elgin sweeper for \$12,000.00. This would not replace the one he currently uses, but would be in addition. He requested that the purchase of this, not affect the purchase of a bucket truck. He would recommend use of Cut Repair Funds to make the purchase.

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve purchase of the Elgin street sweeper from Brown Equipment in the amount of \$12,000.00. The motion was seconded and passed 2-0.

IN THE MATTER OF THE SEWER DEPARTMENT

John Hodge reported on the plant operations and maintenance. He also requested that they get the plant office off of propane, mainly due to the cost of propane. He said he could get connected to natural gas without a problem. John said he would look into hooking back up to natural gas, and get back to the board.

John said he had a request from Randy Patterson for the town to take over the sewer line by the Williamsburg Village Apartments. John agreed it would be easier for him to maintain these if they were on Town property. The Board said for John to advise him to get with Richard Lorenz to request a transfer of Easement.

John also discussed the possibility of getting rid of some old equipment by recording as surplus, and taking to a recycling facility. Lorenz stated that if the value is under \$1,000 it could be gotten rid of without recording as surplus first. The Board recommended that he and Larry get together and make a list of what they would like to get rid of for the Board to approve.

Richard Lorenz mentioned that bills should be coming through soon for the lift stations for the State 43 sewer extension.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY

Nothing to report.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

Clerk Treasurer presented documents from the 2013 Annual Report. Presented were the fund balances, bank balances, and debt summary reports.

Cynthia shared some documents and recommendations with the Board for consideration. One is a proclamation in honor of the Military Child. Dean agreed that we should look into these and consider approving at the next meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Claims were presented for approval.

Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the claims as presented. It was seconded and passed 2-0.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

Dean Bruce motioned to adjourn at 8:15p.m.

Cynthia Hyde, President

Jon Stantz, Vice-President

Dean Bruce, Board Member

Attest: _____
Cheryl Moke, Clerk-Treasurer